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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Kenichi NAGAYAMA ) Confirmation No.: 7384  
Application No.: 10/586,584 ) Group Art Unit: 2826  
Filed: February 28, 2008 ) Examiner: Tan N. Tran  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND )  
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING )  
SAME )

Commission for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
**Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment**  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In an Office Action dated December 31, 2008, the period for response to which runs through February 2, 2009 (January 31, 2009 being a Saturday), the Examiner required election under PCT Rule 13.1 between the claims of Species I (Figs. 1, 3 and 4), Species II (Figs. 5 and 6), Species III (Figs. 8 and 9) and Species IV (Figs. 10 and 11).

Applicant hereby elects Species I (Figs. 1, 3 and 4) for examination.

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1, 2, and 4-9 read on the elected Species I.

Applicant respectfully requests formal examination of this application.

Applicant respectfully asserts that no additional fee is due in connection with the filing of this response. However, if there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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